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NHDES Recognizes Kendal at Hanover For Its Safety and Health Programs

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) will present Kendal at Hanover, a continuing care retirement community, with a renewal of a Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) award on April 13 at 11:30 am at their facility located at 80 Lyme Road, Hanover. The media are encouraged to attend the SHARP award presentation, which is presented for implementing exceptional workplace safety and health programs. Kendal at Hanover is one of only three businesses in the State to currently hold the prestigious SHARP award.

SHARP is a program of the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) that provides businesses with guidelines on how to work with their employees to identify and correct workplace hazards and to implement effective safety and health programs. A business in New Hampshire becomes eligible for the SHARP award after a thorough assessment of its safety and health program by the Occupational Safety & Health Consultation Service in the Planning, Prevention and Assistance Unit of DES.

Renewal of the SHARP award exempts Kendal at Hanover from routine OSHA compliance inspections for a period of two years. During this time, DES will be in contact with the company to ensure the safety and health program continues to be effective. At the end of this period, another comprehensive survey will be conducted to determine if SHARP will be renewed.

Employers who would like to learn more about SHARP should call 271-2024 or e-mail sbeyer@des.state.nh.us

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